PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Alfredo DAL PAN

Appln. No.: 09/512,815

Confirmation No.: 6697

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For: CONTAINER-FILLING DEVICE FOR LOST-FOAM CASTING SYSTEMS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of May 17, 2002 to November 17, 2002. Since the due date fell on a Sunday, the filing of this response on November 18, 2002 is sufficient and timely filed.

A check for the statutory fee of \$920.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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